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Sir:

APPELLANT'S BRIEF ON APPEAL

This is an appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (the "Board") from the decision of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97, and is in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal filed on November 3, 2005, in this application. The appealed claims are as set forth in the attached Claims Appendix. Provision for the payment of fees required for filing this brief, and any required extension of time for filing the brief, are submitted herewith. This brief is submitted in triplicate in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.192(a).

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REAL PARTY IN INTEREST

The real party in interest in this appeal is the CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., aka The Center for Blood Research, Inc., the assignee of the rights of the inventors in the above-identified patent application. The CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., is an affiliate of the Harvard Medical School.

RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

There are believed to be no related appeals or interferences that will directly affect, be directly affected by, or have a bearing on the Board's decision in this appeal.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

The status of the claims in this application is as follows. Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are pending and are on appeal. Claims 1-70, 72-80, 82-84, 86, 90, 91 and 93 have been canceled. The limitations in claims 71 and 95 directed to mimetics of PSGL-1 has been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 71 and 95 are independent claims. Claim 71 is directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls of a mammal. Claim 95 is directed to a method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal which has been subjected to a vessel corrective technique.

STATUS OF AMENDMENTS

Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 were finally rejected in the final Office Action of May 3, 2005. A Notice of Appeal was filed on November 3, 2005. No amendments have been made or entered following issuance of the final Office Action.

SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

Atherosclerosis is a principal cause of heart attacks among adults in the United States. This condition results from the restricted flow of arterial blood due to the accumulation of fibrous plaque over time in the arterial lumen. Death or incapacity of the subject may result from the rupture of the fibrous cap of the plaque, causing hemorrhage, thrombosis and occlusion of the artery. The fibrous plaque is formed from fatty streaks which develop into lesions composed predominantly of layers of smooth muscle cells, lipid-filled macrophages, and T cells. The earliest stages of atherosclerosis occur when migrating monocytes and T lymphocytes bind to the lumen of the arterial wall. Atherosclerosis is a chronic, long term condition, and is distinguished from more acute conditions such as local inflammation. Page 1, line 17 to page 2, line 22. Appellants have found that P-selectin is implicated in the origins of atherosclerosis as a result of the mediation of platelet or endothelial cell binding and adhesion to monocytes.

In one embodiment of the invention, as described in claim 71, the invention is directed to a method for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis in a mammal by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls in a mammal. This is accomplished by administering to the mammal an agent selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, and fragments of PSGL-1. The agent is administered to the mammal in repeated sequential doses or by controlled release methods over a period of months or years, and is effective to inhibit the interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin and between E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin. Page 3, lines 1-16; page 4, lines 23-28; page 5, lines 6-14 and 27-32; page 7, lines 1-3; and page 12, line 21 to page 14, line 2.

In another embodiment, as described in claim 95, the invention is directed to a method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal by performing a vessel corrective technique on a mammal selected form the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting, atherectomy and bypass surgery on the mammal, and subsequently administering to the mammal an effective amount of an agent selected form the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, and PSGL-1 fragments. The administration of the agent is accomplished over a period of months or years, and results in a decrease in the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls. Page 13, line 21 to page 14, line 2; and page 14, lines 20-29.

GROUNDS OF REJECTION TO BE REVIEWED ON APPEAL

- 1. Whether claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Cummings et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,464,778) in view of Larsen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,840,679), Tedder et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,834,425), Coller et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,976,532), Sluiter et al. (*J. Cardiovascular Pharmacology*, 22 (Suppl. 4): S37-S44 (1993)), Aberg et al. (U.S. patent No. 5,061,694), Casscells et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,308,622), Hinstridge et al. (*Drugs*, 42 (Suppl. 2): 8-2 (1991)), *The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy*, 16th Ed., pages 409-413 (1992), and De Felice et al. (*Angiology* 41:1-11 (1990))
- 2. Whether claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are unpatentable based on the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 40-41, 49-52, 59-60 and 73 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076.

ARGUMENTS

I. Rejection of Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 as obvious over Cummings et al. in view of Larsen et al., Tedder et al., Coller et al., Sluiter et al., Aberg et al., Casscells et al., Hinstridge et al., The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy, and De Felice et al.

The primary reference cited by the Examiner, Cummings et al., discusses atherosclerosis in a section labeled "Clinical Applications". See col. 18, line 33 of the patent. In particular, the Cummings, et al. patent states that atherosclerosis is an example of a pathological condition in which an inflammatory response may occur, and that the P-selectin glycoprotein ligand can be used to treat such an inflammatory responses. See col. 18, lines 34-53 of the reference.

It is appellants' position that Cummings et al. is directed to the treatment of acute inflammatory conditions, such as ischemica and reperfusion, rather than atherosclerosis. The focal point of the reference is the prevention of leukocyte adherence to vascular endothelium. With regard to atherosclerosis, the reference makes the following comments, at col. 19, line 64 to col. 20, line 5:

"Platelet-leukocyte interactions are believed to be important in atherosclerosis. Platelets might have a role in recruitment of monocytes into atherosclerotic plaques; the accumulation of monocytes is known to be one of the earliest detectable events during atherogenesis. Rupture of a fully developed plaque may not only lead to platelet deposition and activation and the promotion of thrombus formation, but also the early recruitment of neutrophils to an area of ischemia."

These comments do not teach or suggest that the reference contemplates the use of PSGL-1 for reducing the formation of arterial plaque. Rather, the reference is directing one skilled in the art to the treatment of thrombus (blood clot) formation. Such treatment would involve the prevention of platelet activation by leukocytes as described elsewhere in the reference. A reduction is plaque formation is not inherent in the treatment of a thrombosis since plaque reduction would require a treatment regime of months or years.

Furthermore, Cummings et al. is directed to the prevention of platelet activation in the circulatory system, rather that the inhibition of endothelial cell binding which is an essential component of atherosclerosis. See, in particular, the Wagner (II)132 Declaration, at paragraphs 4, 5 and 6. Thus, it is appellants' position that one skilled in the art, reading the Cummings et al. reference, would have no reasonable expectation that PSGL-1 could be used to reduce plaque formation, and further, that a long term treatment regime would be required to achieve this result.

Appellants also respectfully submit that the Cummings, et al. reference has been antedated as a result of the prior conception and subsequent reduction to practice of the claimed invention, coupled with the requisite diligence, as shown in the Wagner 131 Declaration.

Larsen et al., like Cummings et al., does not relate to the treatment of chronic conditions, such as atherosclerosis, but is instead directed to the treatment of inflammatory or acute conditions. Contrary to the position taken in the Office Action, neither Cummings et al. nor Larsen et al. disclose that a treatment for atherosclerosis can be administered in conjunction with a vessel-corrective technique.

Coller et al. relates to the treatment of a thrombotic condition using antibodies to GPIIb/IIIa. The present invention, in contrast, relates to the use of PSGL-1, and variants therefore, rather than antibodies. Cummings et al. does not teach the use of vessel corrective techniques, and does not teach the use of antibodies for therapeutic purposes. Consequently, applicants maintain that there is no basis for combining the Coller et al. and Cummings et al. references.

The Sluiter et al. reference has been cited to provide further evidence that one skilled in the art would have targeted the inhibition of P-selectin-mediated events for inhibiting leukocyte adhesion receptors to alleviate tissue damage in cardiovascular diseases. However, although the Sluiter et al. reference mentions P-selectin in a general sense, there is no disclosure in the reference concerning the inhibition of P-selectin binding to the ligand of P-selectin. In fact, the Sluiter et al. reference is actually directed to the possible role of oxygen-derived free radicals in the treatment of inflammation. See the Summary portion of the reference on page S37, and the discussion on page S38. Accordingly, the Sluiter et al. reference does not oversome the shortcomings of Cummings et al.

The remaining references cited by the Examiner do not cure the deficiencies of the Cummings et al. Larsen et al., Coller et al. and Sluiter et al. references as discussed above. references. In particular, the Aberg et al., Casscells et al. and Hinstridge et al. references do not relate to the use of appellant's agent for the treatment of diseases. Accordingly, it would be entirely speculative to suggest that the use of appellants' particular agents for the treatment of atherosclerosis can be administered over a prolonged period of time, and that such treatment would have beneficial results.

Similarly, the Merck and De Felice et al. references are apparently relied upon for linking atherosclerosis with a decrease in plaque growth or formation. Of course, appellants do not claim to have discovered the scientific basis for atherosclerosis. Rather, appellants have developed a treatment protocol for atherosclerosis which is not disclosed or suggested in any of the cited references.

Finally, appellants note that the sheer number of references required for formulating the present obviousness rejection (a total of 10 references) is itself a strong indication that the present claims are not obvious.

- II. Rejection of Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 as unpatentable based on obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 40-41, 49-52, 59-60 and 73 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076).
- U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076, which forms the basis of this rejection, has now been abandoned. Accordingly, this rejection is now moot.

Summarizing, for the reasons presented in this brief, appellants respectfully urge the Board to reverse the rejection made in the Final Office Action, and to allow all of the appended claims.

Appellants hereby authorize the Commissioner, to debit the \$500.00 fee for filing this appeal brief from Appellant's Deposit Account No. 18-1945. If there are any other fees not accounted for above, Appellants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee to Deposit Account 18-1945.

Respectfully submitted,
GOSZ AND PARTNERS

Date: 01/03/05

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CLAIMS APPENDIX

71. A method for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls in a mammal comprising:

providing an agent for inhibiting an interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin, said P-selectin being on an endothelial cell; and

administering said agent to a mammal in need of such treatment so as to cause such inhibition to occur, said agent being administered repeatedly in sequential doses or by the controlled release to the mammal over a period of months or years,

wherein said agent is selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1, and mimetics of PSGL-1 which resemble PSGL-1 in shape and charge distribution, said agent being effective to inhibit the interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin and between E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin.

- 81. The method of claim 71 wherein said P-selectin can bind to said PSGL-1 in the absence of said agent.
- 85. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered in combination with other therapeutic agents.
- 87. The method of claim 71 wherein said mammal is human.
- 88. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered in a dose of from about 0.01 mg/kg to about 200mg/kg of body weight.
- 89. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered at a dose of about 100 mg/kg of body weight.

- 92. The method of claim 95, wherein said vessel-corrective technique is selected from the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting procedure, atherectomy, and bypass surgery.
- 94. The method of claim 95, wherein said agent is administered in combination with other therapeutic agents.
- 95. A method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal to which a vessel-corrective technique is administered comprising:

performing a vessel-corrective technique selected form the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting procedure, atherectomy, and bypass surgery on a mammal; and

administering to said mammal, after said vessel-corrective technique, an effective amount of an agent selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1, and mimetics of PSGL-1 which resemble PSGL-1 in shape and charge distribution, said agent being administered repeatedly in sequential doses or by the controlled release to the mammal over a period of months or years to decrease the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls of the mammal.

- 96. The method of claim 71 wherein the agent is administered over a period of years.
- 97. The method of claim 95 wherein the agent is administered over a period of years.

EVIDENCE APPENDIX

- 1. Declaration of Denisa Wagner and Robert Johnson Under Rule 131*
- 2. Declaration of Denisa Wagner under Rule 132**
- * Considered and entered by the Examiner on March 18, 2003.
- ** Considered and entered by the Examiner on February 25, 2005.



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Dear Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131

We, Denisa D. Wagner and Robert C. Johnson, declare and state as follows:

- 1. We are the applicants of the above-identified patent application, and the co-inventors of the subject matter disclosed and claimed therein.
- 2. We are familiar with the present claims of the above-identified application, which are directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis in a mammal by administering an agent that inhibits an interaction between P-selectin and PSGL-1 and E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin., e.g. PSGL-1 (P-selectin glycoprotein ligand-1), soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1 and mimetics of PSGL-1. As originally conceived, our invention embraced a broad range of P-selectin inhibitors, such as inhibitory proteins, peptides, glycoproteins, carbohydrates, antibodies and chimeric constructs.

of PSGL-1 and mimetics of PSGL-1. As originally conceived, our invention embraced a broad range of P-selectin inhibitors, such as inhibitory proteins, peptides, glycoproteins, carbohydrates, antibodies and chimeric constructs.

- 3. We conceived the claimed invention at least as early as 1988, and coupled with due diligence from a time prior to November 16, 1992, reduced the claimed in invention to practice at least as early as May 6, 1994.
- 4. Exhibit A is a copy of a page showing a note authored by co-inventor Denisa Wagner in 1988. The notes shown in the Exhibit were recorded by Dr. Wagner during the conference of the American Heart Association held in 1988, and were written on the last page of the program booklet next to a listing of meetings to be held in 1989. The note on the bottom right hand side of the page states that

Macrophages (M ϕ) eat bits of activated platelets. ELAM-1 = Padgem. Do monocytes bind to Padgem on platelets. Padgem is an opsomizing agent to get rid of debris of platelets.

The term "Padgem" here refers to P-selectin and the term "ELAM-1" refers to E-selectin (Endothelial Leukocyte Adhesion Molecule). In 1988, E-selectin was known to mediate endothelial binding to leukocytes. We conceived that there is a functional relationship between E-selectin and P-selectin, and that P-selectin mediates the binding of platelets to macrophages (leukocytes implicated in atherosclerosis). By binding to Padgem, the macrophages are "eating" bits of activated platelets, thereby increasing the fat (lipid) content of the macrophages, and promoting their conversion into foam cells (macrophage cells with a "foamy" appearance due to the presence of lipids that act as precursors for atherosclerotic plaque). Exhibit A thus demonstrates that we had identified a role for P-selectin and E-selectin in some of the key pathological events involved in atherosclerosis, e.g. macrophage binding to P-selectin on platelets, from a time well before November 16, 1992.

5. Exhibit B, also written by Dr. Wagner, describes an experiment we conceived on February 28, 1992. Exhibit B states:

Breed P-selectin deficient mouse with a mouse strain that develops atherosclerosis. See if it (atherosclerosis) can be prevented.

According to this proposed experiment, a mouse deficient in P-selectin would be bred with a mouse strain that develops atherosclerosis to determine whether atherosclerosis can be prevented. In other words, we conceived that if P-selectin/ligand binding and/or E-selectin/ligand binding could be inhibited *in vivo* in a mammal, the atherosclerotic lesions could be reduced or inhibited. In order to complete this experiment, we understood that it would first be necessary to prepare a P-selectin knock-out mouse, and breed this mouse with mouse strains susceptible to atherosclerosis. It is known that mice are generally resistant to developing atherosclerosis. The mouse strain most susceptible to developing atherosclerosis is the C57 black mouse. But the C57 mouse must still be fed a high lipid diet to observe any meaningful development of atherosclerosis.

6. Exhibit C, also written by Dr. Wagner, describes a proposal we conceived on March 2, 1992, to study the role of the P-selectin in atherosclerosis by developing a suitable mouse model, and feeding the P-selectin deficient mice (mutants) and control wild-type mice (P-selectin positive) with a lipid diet. The, formation of atherosclerotic lesions in the mice would be studied and characterized. Exhibit C states, on page 5:

Study the role of P-selectin in atherosclerosis by feeding P-selectin deficient and P-selectin positive mice a lipid diet. Study the formation of atherosclerotic lesions in mice.

Page 5 of Exhibit C also poses the question whether von Willebrand (vW) disease pigs may be resistant to atherosclerosis because of a lack of P-selectin. P-selectin is stored in granules containing vW factor, and these granules are absent in vW disease.

7. At a time prior to November 16, 1992, we undertook to prepare a mouse model for subsequent testing. The mouse model took at least 4 years to prepare, and was completed on or about September 13, 1993. In order to prepare the mouse model, we used a knock-out mouse deficient in P-selectin and back-crossed this mouse with C57 black mice. In order to be sure that the resulting mutant mouse would be susceptible to atherosclerotic lesion development, we

decided to breed 4 generations of mice, with each generation being more susceptible to atherosclerosis. First we developed a P-selectin deficient mouse. Then we bred the P-selectin deficient mouse with a C57 black mouse. Finally, we bred the offspring of the first breeding with another C57 black mouse, and so on for a total of 4 back-cross breedings. We reasoned that the fourth generation would be suitable for evaluation. It took us about 3 years to make a P-selectin deficient mouse, and another year to complete the back-crossing process with the C57 black mice. This work was laborious and continuous, and consumed a large amount of our time and effort. Although the general technology for creating mouse models had been developed by others, we were the first to develop a P-selectin-deficient mouse model. We diligently worked on successfully constructing such a model, and verifying the correct properties and characteristics of the mutant mouse by about September 13, 1993.

- 8. After the preparation of the mutant mouse deficient in P-selectin on the C57 black background, we promptly commenced feeding the mice (control and experimental) a diet high in lipids. The experimental and control mice were fed a lipid diet for approximately eight months prior to sacrificing the animals and recording the data, This took approximately 8 months since even the C57 black mice are somewhat resistant to the formation of atherosclerosis. Immediately thereafter, we sacrificed the animals and evaluated them for the size and character of atherosclerotic lesions. We prepared the table enclosed as Exhibit D on May 6, 1994. The table in Exhibit D shows the size of atherosclerotic lesions in P-deficient (mutant) mice compared to wild type mice as controls. These results demonstrate a reduction in the size of atherosclerotic lesions in P-selectin deficient mice. Based on these results we concluded that inhibitors of P-selectin/ligand binding and/or E-selectin/ligand binding would be useful for the treatment or inhibition of atherosclerosis, and this constitutes an actual reduction to practice of the claimed invention.
- 9. From the above information, we deduced that inhibitors of P-selectin and/or E-selectin could be used to treat atherosclerosis in mammals based on the role of P-selectin and/or E-selectin on the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis as presently claimed in the above-identified application. We further believe that the above information constitutes evidence the claimed

invention was conceived prior to November 16, 1992, and diligently reduced to practice at least as early as the actual reduction to practice date of May 6, 1994.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Date

Denisa D. Wagner

Date

Robert C. Johnson

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SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON MEMBRANE EVENTS AND INTRACELLULAR SIGNALLING IN THE CARDIOVASCULAR

Walkoloa, Hawaii

AHA Council on Basic Science and the Japanese Heart

January 7-11, 1989 Conference Chairman: James T. Stull, PhD

14TH INTERNATIONAL JOINT CONFERENCE ON STROKE AND CEREBRAL CIRCULATION

San Antonio, TX AHA Council on Stroke February 9-11, 1989

Conference Chairman: Vladimir C. Hachlnskl, MD

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON CORONARY ATHEROSCLE-ROSIS AND THROMBOSIS

Keystone, CO AHA Councils on Circulation, Atherosclerosis, Thrombosis, and Clinical Cardiology February 22-25, 1989 Conference Chairman: Paul J. Cannon, MD

2ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY AND THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AHA COUNCIL ON EPIDEMIOLOGY Washington, DC AHA Council on Epidemiology

June 18-22, 1989 Conference Chairman: Jeremiah Stamler, MD

*15TH TEN-DAY SEMINAR ON THE EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PREVENTION OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES
Tahoe City, CA

AHA Council on Epidemiology July 30-August 12, 1989 Conference Chairman: Darwin R. Labarthe, MD, PhD

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Cleveland, OH AHA Council for High Blood Pressure Research September 26-29, 1989 Conference Chairman: Allen W. Cowley, Jr, PhD

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Study role of P-5. in atteroscleron's by feeding Θ P-5 and \oplus P-5 lipid died to mice -> formation of atterosclerotic lesions 5/6/94 Denisa Bot

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DECLARATION UNDER RULE 132

Sir:

I, Denisa D. Wagner, declare and state as follows:

I am a Professor in the Department of Pathology at Harvard Medical School, and 1. a Senior Investigator at The CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts. My Curriculum Vitae is attached hereto as an Exhibit. I am also an inventor of the aboveidentified patent application. I consider myself to be an expert in the field of cardiovascular medicine and pathology, as reflected in my Curriculum Vitae, and I am well aware of the knowledge level of others skilled in this art.

- 2. I have reviewed the outstanding Office Action of October 21, 2004, in the above-identified patent application. I am also familiar with the claims of this application, as presently amended, which are directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls. This is accomplished by administering PSGL-1, or selected variants thereof, to a subject over a prolonged period of time, i.e. months or years.
- 3. I am familiar with the references cited by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action. In particular, I have reviewed the Cummings et al. reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,464,778), which I understand to be the primary reference cited in the Office Action.
- 4. The Cummings et al. reference is generally directed to inflammatory thrombotic conditions such as ischemia and reperfusion. In col. 19, line 64 to col. 20, line 5, the Cummings et al. reference makes the following disclosure relating to atherosclerosis and platelet-leukocyte interactions:

"Platelet-leukocyte interactions are believed to be important in atherosclerosis. Platelets might have a role in recruitment of monocytes into atherosclerotic plaques; the accumulation of monocytes is known to be one of the earliest detectable events during atherogenesis. Rupture of a fully developed plaque may not only lead to platelet deposition and activation and the promotion of thrombus formation, but also the early recruitment of neutrophils to an area of ischemia."

5. My interpretation of the above cited passage is as follows. Cummings et al. speculate that platelet-leukocyte interactions are important in atherosclerosis. In fact, it is now well established that the key in atherosclerotic lesion development is the direct binding of monocytes to endothelial cells, and the reference does not discuss this. Cummings et al. discusses events following plaque rupture. Such events include thrombus formation leading to ischemic injury causing neutrophil recruitment. This event occurs long after plaque formation which is subject of the present application. The claims of our application specify that the P-selectin is on endothelial cells. Endothelial cells coat the arterial wall, and are not part of the

circulatory system as are the platelets. The plaque rupture, thrombotic events and neutrophil recruitment to the ischemic area discussed in the reference are not part of the present application.

- 6. I believe that the present invention can be distinguished from the Cummings et al. reference in the following respects. The present invention is directed to the treatment of atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls. Atherosclerosis is a chronic condition caused by many factors, primarily by excessive plasma cholesterol levels, and results in the deposition of lesions and plaque on arterial walls. The treatment of atherosclerosis requires the long term administration of a medication to a subject in order to result in a meaningful improvement of the condition. This contrast with the treatment of a thrombosis, as disclosed in the Cummings et al. reference, which requires the commencement of an immediate treatment regime in order to prevent the reoccurrence of a thrombotic attack.
- 7. I also believe that the ability to design a mimetic of PSGL-1 having similar inhibitory characteristics, i.e. the ability to inhibit P-selectin, would be within the skill of a person in the art. Such a mimetic would optimally be designed based on a similarity of charge and shape as stated in the present claims.
- 8. Based on my knowledge, training and experience, it is my opinion that the references cited in the outstanding Office Action would not teach or suggest the method for treating atherosclerosis as stated in the present claims of the above-identified patent application.

I further declare that statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing thereon.

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RELATED PROCEEDINGS APPENDIX

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Sir:

APPELLANT'S BRIEF ON APPEAL

This is an appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (the "Board") from the decision of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97, and is in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal filed on November 3, 2005, in this application. The appealed claims are as set forth in the attached Claims Appendix. Provision for the payment of fees required for filing this brief, and any required extension of time for filing the brief, are submitted herewith. This brief is submitted in triplicate in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.192(a).

REAL PARTY IN INTEREST

The real party in interest in this appeal is the CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., aka The Center for Blood Research, Inc., the assignee of the rights of the inventors in the above-identified patent application. The CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., is an affiliate of the Harvard Medical School.

RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

There are believed to be no related appeals or interferences that will directly affect, be directly affected by, or have a bearing on the Board's decision in this appeal.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

The status of the claims in this application is as follows. Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are pending and are on appeal. Claims 1-70, 72-80, 82-84, 86, 90, 91 and 93 have been canceled. The limitations in claims 71 and 95 directed to mimetics of PSGL-1 has been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 71 and 95 are independent claims. Claim 71 is directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls of a mammal. Claim 95 is directed to a method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal which has been subjected to a vessel corrective technique.

STATUS OF AMENDMENTS

Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 were finally rejected in the final Office Action of May 3, 2005. A Notice of Appeal was filed on November 3, 2005. No amendments have been made or entered following issuance of the final Office Action.

SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

Atherosclerosis is a principal cause of heart attacks among adults in the United States. This condition results from the restricted flow of arterial blood due to the accumulation of fibrous plaque over time in the arterial lumen. Death or incapacity of the subject may result from the rupture of the fibrous cap of the plaque, causing hemorrhage, thrombosis and occlusion of the artery. The fibrous plaque is formed from fatty streaks which develop into lesions composed predominantly of layers of smooth muscle cells, lipid-filled macrophages, and T cells. The earliest stages of atherosclerosis occur when migrating monocytes and T lymphocytes bind to the lumen of the arterial wall. Atherosclerosis is a chronic, long term condition, and is distinguished from more acute conditions such as local inflammation. Page 1, line 17 to page 2, line 22. Appellants have found that P-selectin is implicated in the origins of atherosclerosis as a result of the mediation of platelet or endothelial cell binding and adhesion to monocytes.

In one embodiment of the invention, as described in claim 71, the invention is directed to a method for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis in a mammal by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls in a mammal. This is accomplished by administering to the mammal an agent selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, and fragments of PSGL-1. The agent is administered to the mammal in repeated sequential doses or by controlled release methods over a period of months or years, and is effective to inhibit the interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin and between E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin. Page 3, lines 1-16; page 4, lines 23-28; page 5, lines 6-14 and 27-32; page 7, lines 1-3; and page 12, line 21 to page 14, line 2.

In another embodiment, as described in claim 95, the invention is directed to a method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal by performing a vessel corrective technique on a mammal selected form the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting, atherectomy and bypass surgery on the mammal, and subsequently administering to the mammal an effective amount of an agent selected form the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, and PSGL-1 fragments. The administration of the agent is accomplished over a period of months or years, and results in a decrease in the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls. Page 13, line 21 to page 14, line 2; and page 14, lines 20-29.

GROUNDS OF REJECTION TO BE REVIEWED ON APPEAL

- 1. Whether claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Cummings et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,464,778) in view of Larsen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,840,679), Tedder et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,834,425), Coller et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,976,532), Sluiter et al. (*J. Cardiovascular Pharmacology*, 22 (Suppl. 4): S37-S44 (1993)), Aberg et al. (U.S. patent No. 5,061,694), Casscells et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,308,622), Hinstridge et al. (*Drugs*, 42 (Suppl. 2): 8-2 (1991)), *The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy*, 16th Ed., pages 409-413 (1992), and De Felice et al. (*Angiology* 41:1-11 (1990))
- 2. Whether claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are unpatentable based on the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 40-41, 49-52, 59-60 and 73 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076.

ARGUMENTS

I. Rejection of Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 as obvious over Cummings et al. in view of Larsen et al., Tedder et al., Coller et al., Sluiter et al., Aberg et al., Casscells et al., Hinstridge et al., The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy, and De Felice et al.

The primary reference cited by the Examiner, Cummings et al., discusses atherosclerosis in a section labeled "Clinical Applications". See col. 18, line 33 of the patent. In particular, the Cummings, et al. patent states that atherosclerosis is an example of a pathological condition in which an inflammatory response may occur, and that the P-selectin glycoprotein ligand can be used to treat such an inflammatory responses. See col. 18, lines 34-53 of the reference.

It is appellants' position that Cummings et al. is directed to the treatment of acute inflammatory conditions, such as ischemica and reperfusion, rather than atherosclerosis. The focal point of the reference is the prevention of leukocyte adherence to vascular endothelium. With regard to atherosclerosis, the reference makes the following comments, at col. 19, line 64 to col. 20, line 5:

"Platelet-leukocyte interactions are believed to be important in atherosclerosis. Platelets might have a role in recruitment of monocytes into atherosclerotic plaques; the accumulation of monocytes is known to be one of the earliest detectable events during atherogenesis. Rupture of a fully developed plaque may not only lead to platelet deposition and activation and the promotion of thrombus formation, but also the early recruitment of neutrophils to an area of ischemia."

These comments do not teach or suggest that the reference contemplates the use of PSGL-1 for reducing the formation of arterial plaque. Rather, the reference is directing one skilled in the art to the treatment of thrombus (blood clot) formation. Such treatment would involve the prevention of platelet activation by leukocytes as described elsewhere in the reference. A reduction is plaque formation is not inherent in the treatment of a thrombosis since plaque reduction would require a treatment regime of months or years.

Furthermore, Cummings et al. is directed to the prevention of platelet activation in the circulatory system, rather that the inhibition of endothelial cell binding which is an essential component of atherosclerosis. See, in particular, the Wagner (II)132 Declaration, at paragraphs 4, 5 and 6. Thus, it is appellants' position that one skilled in the art, reading the Cummings et al. reference, would have no reasonable expectation that PSGL-1 could be used to reduce plaque formation, and further, that a long term treatment regime would be required to achieve this result.

Appellants also respectfully submit that the Cummings, et al. reference has been antedated as a result of the prior conception and subsequent reduction to practice of the claimed invention, coupled with the requisite diligence, as shown in the Wagner 131 Declaration.

Larsen et al., like Cummings et al., does not relate to the treatment of chronic conditions, such as atherosclerosis, but is instead directed to the treatment of inflammatory or acute conditions. Contrary to the position taken in the Office Action, neither Cummings et al. nor Larsen et al. disclose that a treatment for atherosclerosis can be administered in conjunction with a vessel-corrective technique.

Coller et al. relates to the treatment of a thrombotic condition using antibodies to GPIIb/IIIa. The present invention, in contrast, relates to the use of PSGL-1, and variants therefore, rather than antibodies. Cummings et al. does not teach the use of vessel corrective techniques, and does not teach the use of antibodies for therapeutic purposes. Consequently, applicants maintain that there is no basis for combining the Coller et al. and Cummings et al. references.

The Sluiter et al. reference has been cited to provide further evidence that one skilled in the art would have targeted the inhibition of P-selectin-mediated events for inhibiting leukocyte adhesion receptors to alleviate tissue damage in cardiovascular diseases. However, although the Sluiter et al. reference mentions P-selectin in a general sense, there is no disclosure in the reference concerning the inhibition of P-selectin binding to the ligand of P-selectin. In fact, the Sluiter et al. reference is actually directed to the possible role of oxygen-derived free radicals in the treatment of inflammation. See the Summary portion of the reference on page S37, and the discussion on page S38. Accordingly, the Sluiter et al. reference does not oversome the shortcomings of Cummings et al.

The remaining references cited by the Examiner do not cure the deficiencies of the Cummings et al. Larsen et al., Coller et al. and Sluiter et al. references as discussed above. references. In particular, the Aberg et al., Casscells et al. and Hinstridge et al. references do not relate to the use of appellant's agent for the treatment of diseases. Accordingly, it would be entirely speculative to suggest that the use of appellants' particular agents for the treatment of atherosclerosis can be administered over a prolonged period of time, and that such treatment would have beneficial results.

Similarly, the Merck and De Felice et al. references are apparently relied upon for linking atherosclerosis with a decrease in plaque growth or formation. Of course, appellants do not claim to have discovered the scientific basis for atherosclerosis. Rather, appellants have developed a treatment protocol for atherosclerosis which is not disclosed or suggested in any of the cited references.

Finally, appellants note that the sheer number of references required for formulating the present obviousness rejection (a total of 10 references) is itself a strong indication that the present claims are not obvious.

- II. Rejection of Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 as unpatentable based on obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 40-41, 49-52, 59-60 and 73 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076).
- U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076, which forms the basis of this rejection, has now been abandoned. Accordingly, this rejection is now moot.

Summarizing, for the reasons presented in this brief, appellants respectfully urge the Board to reverse the rejection made in the Final Office Action, and to allow all of the appended claims.

Appellants hereby authorize the Commissioner, to debit the \$500.00 fee for filing this appeal brief from Appellant's Deposit Account No. 18-1945. If there are any other fees not accounted for above, Appellants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee to Deposit Account 18-1945.

Respectfully submitted,
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CLAIMS APPENDIX

71. A method for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls in a mammal comprising:

providing an agent for inhibiting an interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin, said P-selectin being on an endothelial cell; and

administering said agent to a mammal in need of such treatment so as to cause such inhibition to occur, said agent being administered repeatedly in sequential doses or by the controlled release to the mammal over a period of months or years,

wherein said agent is selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1, and mimetics of PSGL-1 which resemble PSGL-1 in shape and charge distribution, said agent being effective to inhibit the interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin and between E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin.

- 81. The method of claim 71 wherein said P-selectin can bind to said PSGL-1 in the absence of said agent.
- 85. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered in combination with other therapeutic agents.
- 87. The method of claim 71 wherein said mammal is human.
- 88. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered in a dose of from about 0.01 mg/kg to about 200mg/kg of body weight.
- 89. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered at a dose of about 100 mg/kg of body weight.

- 92. The method of claim 95, wherein said vessel-corrective technique is selected from the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting procedure, atherectomy, and bypass surgery.
- 94. The method of claim 95, wherein said agent is administered in combination with other therapeutic agents.
- 95. A method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal to which a vessel-corrective technique is administered comprising:

performing a vessel-corrective technique selected form the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting procedure, atherectomy, and bypass surgery on a mammal; and

administering to said mammal, after said vessel-corrective technique, an effective amount of an agent selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1, and mimetics of PSGL-1 which resemble PSGL-1 in shape and charge distribution, said agent being administered repeatedly in sequential doses or by the controlled release to the mammal over a period of months or years to decrease the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls of the mammal.

- 96. The method of claim 71 wherein the agent is administered over a period of years.
- 97. The method of claim 95 wherein the agent is administered over a period of years.

EVIDENCE APPENDIX

- 1. Declaration of Denisa Wagner and Robert Johnson Under Rule 131*
- 2. Declaration of Denisa Wagner under Rule 132**
- * Considered and entered by the Examiner on March 18, 2003.
- ** Considered and entered by the Examiner on February 25, 2005.



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BOX AMENDMENT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231 Dear Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131

We, Denisa D. Wagner and Robert C. Johnson, declare and state as follows:

- We are the applicants of the above-identified patent application, and the co-inventors of 1. the subject matter disclosed and claimed therein.
- We are familiar with the present claims of the above-identified application, which are 2. directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis in a mammal by administering an agent that inhibits an interaction between P-selectin and PSGL-1 and E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin., e.g. PSGL-1 (P-selectin glycoprotein ligand-1), soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1 and mimetics of PSGL-1. As originally conceived, our invention embraced a broad range of P-selectin inhibitors, such as inhibitory proteins, peptides, glycoproteins, carbohydrates, antibodies and chimeric constructs.

of PSGL-1 and mimetics of PSGL-1. As originally conceived, our invention embraced a broad range of P-selectin inhibitors, such as inhibitory proteins, peptides, glycoproteins, carbohydrates, antibodies and chimeric constructs.

- 3. We conceived the claimed invention at least as early as 1988, and coupled with due diligence from a time prior to November 16, 1992, reduced the claimed in invention to practice at least as early as May 6, 1994.
- 4. Exhibit A is a copy of a page showing a note authored by co-inventor Denisa Wagner in 1988. The notes shown in the Exhibit were recorded by Dr. Wagner during the conference of the American Heart Association held in 1988, and were written on the last page of the program booklet next to a listing of meetings to be held in 1989. The note on the bottom right hand side of the page states that

Macrophages ($M\phi$) eat bits of activated platelets. ELAM-1 = Padgem. Do monocytes bind to Padgem on platelets. Padgem is an opsomizing agent to get rid of debris of platelets.

The term "Padgem" here refers to P-selectin and the term "ELAM-1" refers to E-selectin (Endothelial Leukocyte Adhesion Molecule). In 1988, E-selectin was known to mediate endothelial binding to leukocytes. We conceived that there is a functional relationship between E-selectin and P-selectin, and that P-selectin mediates the binding of platelets to macrophages (leukocytes implicated in atherosclerosis). By binding to Padgem, the macrophages are "eating" bits of activated platelets, thereby increasing the fat (lipid) content of the macrophages, and promoting their conversion into foam cells (macrophage cells with a "foamy" appearance due to the presence of lipids that act as precursors for atherosclerotic plaque). Exhibit A thus demonstrates that we had identified a role for P-selectin and E-selectin in some of the key pathological events involved in atherosclerosis, e.g. macrophage binding to P-selectin on platelets, from a time well before November 16, 1992.

5. Exhibit B, also written by Dr. Wagner, describes an experiment we conceived on February 28, 1992. Exhibit B states:

Breed P-selectin deficient mouse with a mouse strain that develops atherosclerosis. See if it (atherosclerosis) can be prevented.

According to this proposed experiment, a mouse deficient in P-selectin would be bred with a mouse strain that develops atherosclerosis to determine whether atherosclerosis can be prevented. In other words, we conceived that if P-selectin/ligand binding and/or E-selectin/ligand binding could be inhibited *in vivo* in a mammal, the atherosclerotic lesions could be reduced or inhibited. In order to complete this experiment, we understood that it would first be necessary to prepare a P-selectin knock-out mouse, and breed this mouse with mouse strains susceptible to atherosclerosis. It is known that mice are generally resistant to developing atherosclerosis. The mouse strain most susceptible to developing atherosclerosis is the C57 black mouse. But the C57 mouse must still be fed a high lipid diet to observe any meaningful development of atherosclerosis.

6. Exhibit C, also written by Dr. Wagner, describes a proposal we conceived on March 2, 1992, to study the role of the P-selectin in atherosclerosis by developing a suitable mouse model, and feeding the P-selectin deficient mice (mutants) and control wild-type mice (P-selectin positive) with a lipid diet. The, formation of atherosclerotic lesions in the mice would be studied and characterized. Exhibit C states, on page 5:

Study the role of P-selectin in atherosclerosis by feeding P-selectin deficient and P-selectin positive mice a lipid diet. Study the formation of atherosclerotic lesions in mice.

Page 5 of Exhibit C also poses the question whether von Willebrand (vW) disease pigs may be resistant to atherosclerosis because of a lack of P-selectin. P-selectin is stored in granules containing vW factor, and these granules are absent in vW disease.

7. At a time prior to November 16, 1992, we undertook to prepare a mouse model for subsequent testing. The mouse model took at least 4 years to prepare, and was completed on or about September 13, 1993. In order to prepare the mouse model, we used a knock-out mouse deficient in P-selectin and back-crossed this mouse with C57 black mice. In order to be sure that the resulting mutant mouse would be susceptible to atherosclerotic lesion development, we

decided to breed 4 generations of mice, with each generation being more susceptible to atherosclerosis. First we developed a P-selectin deficient mouse. Then we bred the P-selectin deficient mouse with a C57 black mouse. Finally, we bred the offspring of the first breeding with another C57 black mouse, and so on for a total of 4 back-cross breedings. We reasoned that the fourth generation would be suitable for evaluation. It took us about 3 years to make a P-selectin deficient mouse, and another year to complete the back-crossing process with the C57 black mice. This work was laborious and continuous, and consumed a large amount of our time and effort. Although the general technology for creating mouse models had been developed by others, we were the first to develop a P-selectin-deficient mouse model. We diligently worked on successfully constructing such a model, and verifying the correct properties and characteristics of the mutant mouse by about September 13, 1993.

- 8. After the preparation of the mutant mouse deficient in P-selectin on the C57 black background, we promptly commenced feeding the mice (control and experimental) a diet high in lipids. The experimental and control mice were fed a lipid diet for approximately eight months prior to sacrificing the animals and recording the data, This took approximately 8 months since even the C57 black mice are somewhat resistant to the formation of atherosclerosis. Immediately thereafter, we sacrificed the animals and evaluated them for the size and character of atherosclerotic lesions. We prepared the table enclosed as Exhibit D on May 6, 1994. The table in Exhibit D shows the size of atherosclerotic lesions in P-deficient (mutant) mice compared to wild type mice as controls. These results demonstrate a reduction in the size of atherosclerotic lesions in P-selectin deficient mice. Based on these results we concluded that inhibitors of P-selectin/ligand binding and/or E-selectin/ligand binding would be useful for the treatment or inhibition of atherosclerosis, and this constitutes an actual reduction to practice of the claimed invention.
- 9. From the above information, we deduced that inhibitors of P-selectin and/or E-selectin could be used to treat atherosclerosis in mammals based on the role of P-selectin and/or E-selectin on the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis as presently claimed in the above-identified application. We further believe that the above information constitutes evidence the claimed

invention was conceived prior to November 16, 1992, and diligently reduced to practice at least as early as the actual reduction to practice date of May 6, 1994.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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14TH INTERNATIONAL JOINT CONFERENCE ON STROKE AND CEREBRAL CIRCULATION

San Antonio, TX AHA Council on Stroke February 9-11, 1989

Conference Chairman: Vladimir C. Hachlinski, MD

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON CORONARY ATHEROSCLE-ROSIS AND THROMBOSIS

Keystone, CO AHA Councils on Circulation, Atherosclerosis, Thrombosis, and Clinical Cardiology February 22-25, 1989

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Tahoe City, CA AHA Council on Epidemiology July 30-August 12, 1989 Conference Chairman: Darwin R. Labambe, MD, PhD

43RD ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL FOR HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE RESEARCH

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AHA Council for High Blood Pressure Research
September 26-29, 1989 Conference Chairman: Allen W. Cowley, Jr. PhD

62ND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS New Orleans, LA AHA Scientific Councils November 13-16, 1989 Conference Chairman: Michael R. Rosen, MD

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Projects for Bob

Prepare antibodies to P-5. cytoplasmic tail (polyclonal.). Do they recognise other granular proteins - clone them Schaffhausen: Als to SH2 domain of PDGF MC. binds to other prof. containing this homologous domain

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EXHIBIT C Page 3 of 5 Role of vicinal cysteines in integrins matrix assembly?

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DECLARATION UNDER RULE 132

Sir:

- I, Denisa D. Wagner, declare and state as follows:
- I am a Professor in the Department of Pathology at Harvard Medical School, and a Senior Investigator at The CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts. My Curriculum Vitae is attached hereto as an Exhibit. I am also an inventor of the above-identified patent application. I consider myself to be an expert in the field of cardiovascular medicine and pathology, as reflected in my Curriculum Vitae, and I am well aware of the knowledge level of others skilled in this art.

- 2. I have reviewed the outstanding Office Action of October 21, 2004, in the above-identified patent application. I am also familiar with the claims of this application, as presently amended, which are directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls. This is accomplished by administering PSGL-1, or selected variants thereof, to a subject over a prolonged period of time, i.e. months or years.
- 3. I am familiar with the references cited by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action. In particular, I have reviewed the Cummings et al. reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,464,778), which I understand to be the primary reference cited in the Office Action.
- 4. The Cummings et al. reference is generally directed to inflammatory thrombotic conditions such as ischemia and reperfusion. In col. 19, line 64 to col. 20, line 5, the Cummings et al. reference makes the following disclosure relating to atherosclerosis and platelet-leukocyte interactions:

"Platelet-leukocyte interactions are believed to be important in atherosclerosis. Platelets might have a role in recruitment of monocytes into atherosclerotic plaques; the accumulation of monocytes is known to be one of the earliest detectable events during atherogenesis. Rupture of a fully developed plaque may not only lead to platelet deposition and activation and the promotion of thrombus formation, but also the early recruitment of neutrophils to an area of ischemia."

5. My interpretation of the above cited passage is as follows. Cummings et al. speculate that platelet-leukocyte interactions are important in atherosclerosis. In fact, it is now well established that the key in atherosclerotic lesion development is the direct binding of monocytes to endothelial cells, and the reference does not discuss this. Cummings et al. discusses events following plaque rupture. Such events include thrombus formation leading to ischemic injury causing neutrophil recruitment. This event occurs long after plaque formation which is subject of the present application. The claims of our application specify that the P-selectin is on endothelial cells. Endothelial cells coat the arterial wall, and are not part of the

circulatory system as are the platelets. The plaque rupture, thrombotic events and neutrophil recruitment to the ischemic area discussed in the reference are not part of the present application.

- 6. I believe that the present invention can be distinguished from the Cummings et al. reference in the following respects. The present invention is directed to the treatment of atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls. Atherosclerosis is a chronic condition caused by many factors, primarily by excessive plasma cholesterol levels, and results in the deposition of lesions and plaque on arterial walls. The treatment of atherosclerosis requires the long term administration of a medication to a subject in order to result in a meaningful improvement of the condition. This contrast with the treatment of a thrombosis, as disclosed in the Cummings et al. reference, which requires the commencement of an immediate treatment regime in order to prevent the reoccurrence of a thrombotic attack.
- 7. I also believe that the ability to design a mimetic of PSGL-1 having similar inhibitory characteristics, i.e. the ability to inhibit P-selectin, would be within the skill of a person in the art. Such a mimetic would optimally be designed based on a similarity of charge and shape as stated in the present claims.
- 8. Based on my knowledge, training and experience, it is my opinion that the references cited in the outstanding Office Action would not teach or suggest the method for treating atherosclerosis as stated in the present claims of the above-identified patent application.

I further declare that statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing thereon.

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APPELLANT'S BRIEF ON APPEAL

This is an appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (the "Board") from the decision of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97, and is in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal filed on November 3, 2005, in this application. The appealed claims are as set forth in the attached Claims Appendix. Provision for the payment of fees required for filing this brief, and any required extension of time for filing the brief, are submitted herewith. This brief is submitted in triplicate in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.192(a).

REAL PARTY IN INTEREST

The real party in interest in this appeal is the CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., aka The Center for Blood Research, Inc., the assignee of the rights of the inventors in the above-identified patent application. The CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., is an affiliate of the Harvard Medical School.

RELATED APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

There are believed to be no related appeals or interferences that will directly affect, be directly affected by, or have a bearing on the Board's decision in this appeal.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

The status of the claims in this application is as follows. Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are pending and are on appeal. Claims 1-70, 72-80, 82-84, 86, 90, 91 and 93 have been canceled. The limitations in claims 71 and 95 directed to mimetics of PSGL-1 has been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 71 and 95 are independent claims. Claim 71 is directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls of a mammal. Claim 95 is directed to a method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal which has been subjected to a vessel corrective technique.

STATUS OF AMENDMENTS

Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 were finally rejected in the final Office Action of May 3, 2005. A Notice of Appeal was filed on November 3, 2005. No amendments have been made or entered following issuance of the final Office Action.

SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

Atherosclerosis is a principal cause of heart attacks among adults in the United States. This condition results from the restricted flow of arterial blood due to the accumulation of fibrous plaque over time in the arterial lumen. Death or incapacity of the subject may result from the rupture of the fibrous cap of the plaque, causing hemorrhage, thrombosis and occlusion of the artery. The fibrous plaque is formed from fatty streaks which develop into lesions composed predominantly of layers of smooth muscle cells, lipid-filled macrophages, and T cells. The earliest stages of atherosclerosis occur when migrating monocytes and T lymphocytes bind to the lumen of the arterial wall. Atherosclerosis is a chronic, long term condition, and is distinguished from more acute conditions such as local inflammation. Page 1, line 17 to page 2, line 22. Appellants have found that P-selectin is implicated in the origins of atherosclerosis as a result of the mediation of platelet or endothelial cell binding and adhesion to monocytes.

In one embodiment of the invention, as described in claim 71, the invention is directed to a method for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis in a mammal by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls in a mammal. This is accomplished by administering to the mammal an agent selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, and fragments of PSGL-1. The agent is administered to the mammal in repeated sequential doses or by controlled release methods over a period of months or years, and is effective to inhibit the interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin and between E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin. Page 3, lines 1-16; page 4, lines 23-28; page 5, lines 6-14 and 27-32; page 7, lines 1-3; and page 12, line 21 to page 14, line 2.

In another embodiment, as described in claim 95, the invention is directed to a method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal by performing a vessel corrective technique on a mammal selected form the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting, atherectomy and bypass surgery on the mammal, and subsequently administering to the mammal an effective amount of an agent selected form the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, and PSGL-1 fragments. The administration of the agent is accomplished over a period of months or years, and results in a decrease in the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls. Page 13, line 21 to page 14, line 2; and page 14, lines 20-29.

GROUNDS OF REJECTION TO BE REVIEWED ON APPEAL

- 1. Whether claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as obvious over Cummings et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,464,778) in view of Larsen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,840,679), Tedder et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,834,425), Coller et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,976,532), Sluiter et al. (*J. Cardiovascular Pharmacology*, 22 (Suppl. 4): S37-S44 (1993)), Aberg et al. (U.S. patent No. 5,061,694), Casscells et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,308,622), Hinstridge et al. (*Drugs*, 42 (Suppl. 2): 8-2 (1991)), *The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy*, 16th Ed., pages 409-413 (1992), and De Felice et al. (*Angiology* 41:1-11 (1990))
- 2. Whether claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 are unpatentable based on the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 40-41, 49-52, 59-60 and 73 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076.

ARGUMENTS

Rejection of Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 as obvious over Cummings et al. in view of Larsen et al., Tedder et al., Coller et al., Sluiter et al., Aberg et al., Casscells et al., Hinstridge et al., The Merck Manual of Diagnosis and Therapy, and De Felice et al.

The primary reference cited by the Examiner, Cummings et al., discusses atherosclerosis in a section labeled "Clinical Applications". See col. 18, line 33 of the patent. In particular, the Cummings, et al. patent states that atherosclerosis is an example of a pathological condition in which an inflammatory response may occur, and that the P-selectin glycoprotein ligand can be used to treat such an inflammatory responses. See col. 18, lines 34-53 of the reference.

It is appellants' position that Cummings et al. is directed to the treatment of acute inflammatory conditions, such as ischemica and reperfusion, rather than atherosclerosis. The focal point of the reference is the prevention of leukocyte adherence to vascular endothelium. With regard to atherosclerosis, the reference makes the following comments, at col. 19, line 64 to col. 20, line 5:

"Platelet-leukocyte interactions are believed to be important in atherosclerosis. Platelets might have a role in recruitment of monocytes into atherosclerotic plaques; the

accumulation of monocytes is known to be one of the earliest detectable events during atherogenesis. Rupture of a fully developed plaque may not only lead to platelet deposition and activation and the promotion of thrombus formation, but also the early recruitment of neutrophils to an area of ischemia."

These comments do not teach or suggest that the reference contemplates the use of PSGL-1 for reducing the formation of arterial plaque. Rather, the reference is directing one skilled in the art to the treatment of thrombus (blood clot) formation. Such treatment would involve the prevention of platelet activation by leukocytes as described elsewhere in the reference. A reduction is plaque formation is not inherent in the treatment of a thrombosis since plaque reduction would require a treatment regime of months or years.

Furthermore, Cummings et al. is directed to the prevention of platelet activation in the circulatory system, rather that the inhibition of endothelial cell binding which is an essential component of atherosclerosis. See, in particular, the Wagner (II)132 Declaration, at paragraphs 4, 5 and 6. Thus, it is appellants' position that one skilled in the art, reading the Cummings et al. reference, would have no reasonable expectation that PSGL-1 could be used to reduce plaque

formation, and further, that a long term treatment regime would be required to achieve this result.

Appellants also respectfully submit that the Cummings, et al. reference has been antedated as a result of the prior conception and subsequent reduction to practice of the claimed invention, coupled with the requisite diligence, as shown in the Wagner 131 Declaration.

Larsen et al., like Cummings et al., does not relate to the treatment of chronic conditions, such as atherosclerosis, but is instead directed to the treatment of inflammatory or acute conditions. Contrary to the position taken in the Office Action, neither Cummings et al. nor Larsen et al. disclose that a treatment for atherosclerosis can be administered in conjunction with a vessel-corrective technique.

Coller et al. relates to the treatment of a thrombotic condition using antibodies to GPIIb/IIIa. The present invention, in contrast, relates to the use of PSGL-1, and variants therefore, rather than antibodies. Cummings et al. does not teach the use of vessel corrective techniques, and does not teach the use of antibodies for therapeutic purposes. Consequently, applicants maintain that there is no basis for combining the Coller et al. and Cummings et al. references.

The Sluiter et al. reference has been cited to provide further evidence that one skilled in the art would have targeted the inhibition of P-selectin-mediated events for inhibiting leukocyte adhesion receptors to alleviate tissue damage in cardiovascular diseases. However, although the Sluiter et al. reference mentions P-selectin in a general sense, there is no disclosure in the reference concerning the inhibition of P-selectin binding to the ligand of P-selectin. In fact, the Sluiter et al. reference is actually directed to the possible role of oxygen-derived free radicals in the treatment of inflammation. See the Summary portion of the reference on page S37, and the discussion on page S38. Accordingly, the Sluiter et al. reference does not oversome the shortcomings of Cummings et al.

The remaining references cited by the Examiner do not cure the deficiencies of the Cummings et al. Larsen et al., Coller et al. and Sluiter et al. references as discussed above. references. In particular, the Aberg et al., Casscells et al. and Hinstridge et al. references do not relate to the use of appellant's agent for the treatment of diseases. Accordingly, it would be entirely speculative to suggest that the use of appellants' particular agents for the treatment of atherosclerosis can be administered over a prolonged period of time, and that such treatment—would have beneficial results.

Similarly, the Merck and De Felice et al. references are apparently relied upon for linking atherosclerosis with a decrease in plaque growth or formation. Of course, appellants do not claim to have discovered the scientific basis for atherosclerosis. Rather, appellants have developed a treatment protocol for atherosclerosis which is not disclosed or suggested in any of the cited references.

Finally, appellants note that the sheer number of references required for formulating the present obviousness rejection (a total of 10 references) is itself a strong indication that the present claims are not obvious.

- II. Rejection of Claims 71, 81, 85, 87-89, 92 and 94-97 as unpatentable based on obviousness-type double patenting in view of claims 40-41, 49-52, 59-60 and 73 of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076).
- U.S. Patent Application No. 09/436,076, which forms the basis of this rejection, has now been abandoned. Accordingly, this rejection is now moot.

Summarizing, for the reasons presented in this brief, appellants respectfully urge the Board to reverse the rejection made in the Final Office Action, and to allow all of the appended claims.

Appellants hereby authorize the Commissioner, to debit the \$500.00 fee for filing this appeal brief from Appellant's Deposit Account No. 18-1945. If there are any other fees not accounted for above, Appellants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee to Deposit Account 18-1945.

Respectfully submitted,
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CLAIMS APPENDIX

71. A method for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls in a mammal comprising:

providing an agent for inhibiting an interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin, said P-selectin being on an endothelial cell; and

administering said agent to a mammal in need of such treatment so as to cause such inhibition to occur, said agent being administered repeatedly in sequential doses or by the controlled release to the mammal over a period of months or years,

wherein said agent is selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1, and mimetics of PSGL-1 which resemble PSGL-1 in shape and charge distribution, said agent being effective to inhibit the interaction between P-selectin and a ligand of P-selectin and between E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin.

- 81. The method of claim 71 wherein said P-selectin can bind to said PSGL-1 in the absence of said agent.
- 85. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered in combination with other therapeutic agents.
- 87. The method of claim 71 wherein said mammal is human.
- 88. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered in a dose of from about 0.01 mg/kg to about 200mg/kg of body weight.
- 89. The method of claim 71 wherein said agent is administered at a dose of about 100 mg/kg of body weight.

- 92. The method of claim 95, wherein said vessel-corrective technique is selected from the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting procedure, atherectomy, and bypass surgery.
- 94. The method of claim 95, wherein said agent is administered in combination with other therapeutic agents.
- 95. A method for treating atherosclerosis in a mammal to which a vessel-corrective technique is administered comprising:

performing a vessel-corrective technique selected form the group consisting of angioplasty, stenting procedure, atherectomy, and bypass surgery on a mammal; and

administering to said mammal, after said vessel-corrective technique, an effective amount of an agent selected from the group consisting of PSGL-1, soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1, and mimetics of PSGL-1 which resemble PSGL-1 in shape and charge distribution, said agent being administered repeatedly in sequential doses or by the controlled release to the mammal over a period of months or years to decrease the formation or growth of plaque on the arterial walls of the mammal.

- 96. The method of claim 71 wherein the agent is administered over a period of years.
- 97. The method of claim 95 wherein the agent is administered over a period of years.

EVIDENCE APPENDIX

- 1. Declaration of Denisa Wagner and Robert Johnson Under Rule 131*
- 2. Declaration of Denisa Wagner under Rule 132**
- * Considered and entered by the Examiner on March 18, 2003.
- ** Considered and entered by the Examiner on February 25, 2005.



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BOX AMENDMENT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231 Dear Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131

We, Denisa D. Wagner and Robert C. Johnson, declare and state as follows:

- 1. We are the applicants of the above-identified patent application, and the co-inventors of the subject matter disclosed and claimed therein.
- 2. We are familiar with the present claims of the above-identified application, which are directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis in a mammal by administering an agent that inhibits an interaction between P-selectin and PSGL-1 and E-selectin and a ligand of E-selectin., e.g. PSGL-1 (P-selectin glycoprotein ligand-1), soluble forms of PSGL-1, fragments of PSGL-1 and mimetics of PSGL-1. As originally conceived, our invention embraced a broad range of P-selectin inhibitors, such as inhibitory proteins, peptides, glycoproteins, carbohydrates, antibodies and chimeric constructs.

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- 3. We conceived the claimed invention at least as early as 1988, and coupled with due diligence from a time prior to November 16, 1992, reduced the claimed in invention to practice at least as early as May 6, 1994.
- 4. Exhibit A is a copy of a page showing a note authored by co-inventor Denisa Wagner in 1988. The notes shown in the Exhibit were recorded by Dr. Wagner during the conference of the American Heart Association held in 1988, and were written on the last page of the program booklet next to a listing of meetings to be held in 1989. The note on the bottom right hand side of the page states that

Macrophages (Mφ) eat bits of activated platelets. ELAM-1 = Padgem. Do monocytes bind to Padgem on platelets. Padgem is an opsomizing agent to get rid of debris of platelets.

The term "Padgem" here refers to P-selectin and the term "ELAM-1" refers to E-selectin (Endothelial Leukocyte Adhesion Molecule). In 1988, E-selectin was known to mediate endothelial binding to leukocytes. We conceived that there is a functional relationship between E-selectin and P-selectin, and that P-selectin mediates the binding of platelets to macrophages (leukocytes implicated in atherosclerosis). By binding to Padgem, the macrophages are "eating" bits of activated platelets, thereby increasing the fat (lipid) content of the macrophages, and promoting their conversion into foam cells (macrophage cells with a "foamy" appearance due to the presence of lipids that act as precursors for atherosclerotic plaque). Exhibit A thus demonstrates that we had identified a role for P-selectin and E-selectin in some of the key pathological events involved in atherosclerosis, e.g. macrophage binding to P-selectin on platelets, from a time well before November 16, 1992.

5. Exhibit B, also written by Dr. Wagner, describes an experiment we conceived on February 28, 1992. Exhibit B states:

Breed P-selectin deficient mouse with a mouse strain that develops atherosclerosis. See if it (atherosclerosis) can be prevented.

According to this proposed experiment, a mouse deficient in P-selectin would be bred with a mouse strain that develops atherosclerosis to determine whether atherosclerosis can be prevented. In other words, we conceived that if P-selectin/ligand binding and/or E-selectin/ligand binding could be inhibited *in vivo* in a mammal, the atherosclerotic lesions could be reduced or inhibited. In order to complete this experiment, we understood that it would first be necessary to prepare a P-selectin knock-out mouse, and breed this mouse with mouse strains susceptible to atherosclerosis. It is known that mice are generally resistant to developing atherosclerosis. The mouse strain most susceptible to developing atherosclerosis is the C57 black mouse. But the C57 mouse must still be fed a high lipid diet to observe any meaningful development of atherosclerosis.

6. Exhibit C, also written by Dr. Wagner, describes a proposal we conceived on March 2, 1992, to study the role of the P-selectin in atherosclerosis by developing a suitable mouse model, and feeding the P-selectin deficient mice (mutants) and control wild-type mice (P-selectin positive) with a lipid diet. The, formation of atherosclerotic lesions in the mice would be studied and characterized. Exhibit C states, on page 5:

Study the role of P-selectin in atherosclerosis by feeding P-selectin deficient and P-selectin positive mice a lipid diet. Study the formation of atherosclerotic lesions in mice.

Page 5 of Exhibit C also poses the question whether von Willebrand (vW) disease pigs may be resistant to atherosclerosis because of a lack of P-selectin. P-selectin is stored in granules containing vW factor, and these granules are absent in vW disease.

7. At a time prior to November 16, 1992, we undertook to prepare a mouse model for subsequent testing. The mouse model took at least 4 years to prepare, and was completed on or about September 13, 1993. In order to prepare the mouse model, we used a knock-out mouse deficient in P-selectin and back-crossed this mouse with C57 black mice. In order to be sure that the resulting mutant mouse would be susceptible to atherosclerotic lesion development, we

decided to breed 4 generations of mice, with each generation being more susceptible to atherosclerosis. First we developed a P-selectin deficient mouse. Then we bred the P-selectin deficient mouse with a C57 black mouse. Finally, we bred the offspring of the first breeding with another C57 black mouse, and so on for a total of 4 back-cross breedings. We reasoned that the fourth generation would be suitable for evaluation. It took us about 3 years to make a P-selectin deficient mouse, and another year to complete the back-crossing process with the C57 black mice. This work was laborious and continuous, and consumed a large amount of our time and effort. Although the general technology for creating mouse models had been developed by others, we were the first to develop a P-selectin-deficient mouse model. We diligently worked on successfully constructing such a model, and verifying the correct properties and characteristics of the mutant mouse by about September 13, 1993.

- 8. After the preparation of the mutant mouse deficient in P-selectin on the C57 black background, we promptly commenced feeding the mice (control and experimental) a diet high in lipids. The experimental and control mice were fed a lipid diet for approximately eight months prior to sacrificing the animals and recording the data, This took approximately 8 months since even the C57 black mice are somewhat resistant to the formation of atherosclerosis. Immediately thereafter, we sacrificed the animals and evaluated them for the size and character of atherosclerotic lesions. We prepared the table enclosed as Exhibit D on May 6, 1994. The table in Exhibit D shows the size of atherosclerotic lesions in P-deficient (mutant) mice compared to wild type mice as controls. These results demonstrate a reduction in the size of atherosclerotic lesions in P-selectin deficient mice. Based on these results we concluded that inhibitors of P-selectin/ligand binding and/or E-selectin/ligand binding would be useful for the treatment or inhibition of atherosclerosis, and this constitutes an actual reduction to practice of the claimed invention.
- 9. From the above information, we deduced that inhibitors of P-selectin and/or E-selectin could be used to treat atherosclerosis in mammals based on the role of P-selectin and/or E-selectin on the pathogenesis of atherosclerosis as presently claimed in the above-identified application. We further believe that the above information constitutes evidence the claimed

invention was conceived prior to November 16, 1992, and diligently reduced to practice at least as early as the actual reduction to practice date of May 6, 1994.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

<u> 2/25/2003</u>

Date

Denisa D. Wagner

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Robert C. Johnson

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14TH INTERNATIONAL JOINT CONFERENCE ON STROKE AND CEREBRAL CIRCULATION

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SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON CORONARY ATHEROSCLE-ROSIS AND THROMBOSIS

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43RD ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS OF THE COUNCIL FOR HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE RESEARCH Cleveland, OH AHA Council for High Blood Pressure Research September 26-29, 1989 Conference Chairman: Allen W. Cowley, Jr., PhD

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DECLARATION UNDER RULE 132

Sir:

- I, Denisa D. Wagner, declare and state as follows:
- 1. I am a Professor in the Department of Pathology at Harvard Medical School, and a Senior Investigator at The CBR Institute for Biomedical Research, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts. My Curriculum Vitae is attached hereto as an Exhibit. I am also an inventor of the above-identified patent application. I consider myself to be an expert in the field of cardiovascular medicine and pathology, as reflected in my Curriculum Vitae, and I am well aware of the knowledge level of others skilled in this art.

- 2. I have reviewed the outstanding Office Action of October 21, 2004, in the above-identified patent application. I am also familiar with the claims of this application, as presently amended, which are directed to methods for treating or inhibiting atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls. This is accomplished by administering PSGL-1, or selected variants thereof, to a subject over a prolonged period of time, i.e. months or years.
- 3. I am familiar with the references cited by the Examiner in the outstanding Office Action. In particular, I have reviewed the Cummings et al. reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,464,778), which I understand to be the primary reference cited in the Office Action.
- 4. The Cummings et al. reference is generally directed to inflammatory thrombotic conditions such as ischemia and reperfusion. In col. 19, line 64 to col. 20, line 5, the Cummings et al. reference makes the following disclosure relating to atherosclerosis and platelet leukocyte interactions:

"Platelet-leukocyte interactions are believed to be important in atherosclerosis. Platelets might have a role in recruitment of monocytes into atherosclerotic plaques; the accumulation of monocytes is known to be one of the earliest detectable events during atherogenesis. Rupture of a fully developed plaque may not only lead to platelet deposition and activation and the promotion of thrombus formation, but also the early recruitment of neutrophils to an area of ischemia."

5. My interpretation of the above cited passage is as follows. Cummings et al. speculate that platelet-leukocyte interactions are important in atherosclerosis. In fact, it is now well established that the key in atherosclerotic lesion development is the direct binding of monocytes to endothelial cells, and the reference does not discuss this. Cummings et al. discusses events following plaque rupture. Such events include thrombus formation leading to ischemic injury causing neutrophil recruitment. This event occurs long after plaque formation which is subject of the present application. The claims of our application specify that the P-selectin is on endothelial cells. Endothelial cells coat the arterial wall, and are not part of the

circulatory system as are the platelets. The plaque rupture, thrombotic events and neutrophil recruitment to the ischemic area discussed in the reference are not part of the present application.

- 6. I believe that the present invention can be distinguished from the Cummings et al. reference in the following respects. The present invention is directed to the treatment of atherosclerosis by decreasing the formation or growth of plaque on arterial walls. Atherosclerosis is a chronic condition caused by many factors, primarily by excessive plasma cholesterol levels, and results in the deposition of lesions and plaque on arterial walls. The treatment of atherosclerosis requires the long term administration of a medication to a subject in order to result in a meaningful improvement of the condition. This contrast with the treatment of a thrombosis, as disclosed in the Cummings et al. reference, which requires the commencement of an immediate treatment regime in order to prevent the reoccurrence of a thrombotic attack.
- 7. I also believe that the ability to design a mimetic of PSGL-1 having similar inhibitory characteristics, i.e. the ability to inhibit P-selectin, would be within the skill of a person in the art. Such a mimetic would optimally be designed based on a similarity of charge and shape as stated in the present claims.
- 8. Based on my knowledge, training and experience, it is my opinion that the references cited in the outstanding Office Action would not teach or suggest the method for treating atherosclerosis as stated in the present claims of the above-identified patent application.

I further declare that statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Established Investigator Award, American Heart Association, Biosynthesis of von Willebrand protein by endothelial cells. 1986-1991.

XIth ISTH Congress award in recognition of an outstanding communication, 1987.

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